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HUNTERS BAG 324 RABBITS

You'd think the hunters had struck a field of cotton Sunday on their "unemployment" hunt, instead of rabbits. So plentiful were the "Snowshoes" that the field in some places were reported white as cotton.

Northern Michigan's "Jack" rabbits or "snowshoes" are almost pure white, much in contrast with their cousin, the "cottontail" rabbit of southern Michigan. And besides the jack rabbit is much larger in size.

It was an unlucky day for "Jack" for there was no snow and his white raiment was a conspicuous target for Grayling's sharpshooters. Exactly 324 of these "snowshoes" fell from rabbit shot, and some of the boys say they could have had a lot more had they wanted to break the law and take more than the regulation five allowed.

Six parties under command of Ted Stephan, Carl Jenson, Eggle Bugby, Sheriff Bohemeyer, Phil Quigley and T. P. Peterson, with Frank Barnett as generalissimo, formed a formidable foe and poor "Jack" didn't have a chance in the territory they covered. The parties were divided and almost every part of the county was visited, and even some were in Kalkaska county.

Some of the parties used dogs, and those who did not, that role was acted by some of the members of the party. With a rush, a large number of hunters would enter a swamp and immediately let out who like thoroughbred Beagles. The barking would be kept up until every rabbit in the swamp had been either scared out or shot. And those who did not enter the swamp would stand watch on the highland and when old "Snowshoe" came streaking out, he would be met with a fusillade of shots from that quarter. There just wasn't any place anywhere for him to escape. It was tough going for the "Jack" that day.

The members of the parties report a lot of sport and a jolly good time. While they were enjoying themselves shooting rabbits, that nature seems to have provided for man's pleasure and for food, they too were providing good rabbit meat for many needy families.

It has been interesting to sit near a group of these hunters and listen in on their tales of experiences on that day. Some of the men reported not having missed a shot while others wasted ammunition aplenty. Some of the rabbits, especially those from the Ted Stephan squad, seem to have been shot with a rifle for many of them were killed with one bullet, most of the time it being hit in the head. Frank Beckman reports having run onto a black bear west of the Military Reservation.

Frank Barnett, while he was the instigator of the hunt, said he was made and only shot two rabbits. He didn't say how many he missed. Well, it was a day long to be remembered, and fulfilled a most worthy object.

The rabbits were dressed and will be packed into Christmas baskets. 75 were turned over to the Woman's Club; 25 to St. Mary's church and 124 to the poor commission.

DEPT. OF STATE STATE NEWS BULLETIN

The mileage allowance of department of state employees who use their own private automobiles on state business will be reduced from six to five cents a mile on Jan. 1, 1932, it was announced by Secretary of State Frank D. Fitzgerald.

The reduction was ordered after the department made an analysis of automobile operating costs and were convinced that five cents a mile was sufficient to operate a medium-sized automobile.

About two weeks ago, higher-paid employees of the department voluntarily accepted a salary reduction ranging from two per cent for those receiving \$1,300 a year to five per cent for those receiving \$8,000 a year.

The new regulations for the weighing of trucks and trailers before 1932 licenses can be obtained will benefit honest truck owners, instead of working a hardship on them, it was pointed out by Secretary of State Frank D. Fitzgerald.

The new regulations require that the truck owners secure an official weight receipt after having their vehicles weighed on a designated scale. This receipt then must be presented when 1932 licenses are obtained.

In the past honest truck owners always have paid their full tax to the state. But they have been penalized by dishonest owners who have not borne their full share of the cost of operating the state, it was pointed out. Under the new system, the honest owners will pay the same tax as in other years, and will have the satisfaction of knowing that others are not defrauding the state and thereby gaining an advantage in lower operating costs.

The new regulations are expected to add at least \$500,000 to the state's revenues in 1932.

MRS. A. J. REDSON PASSED AWAY

Mrs. Anna J. Redson, senior member of the firm Redson & Cooley, passed away at her home shortly after midnight Thursday at the ripe age of 87 years. Mrs. Redson had been quite feeble for a couple of years, and four weeks ago she became seriously ill and was confined to her bed.

The deceased had been in business for the past 65 years and was active up to the time she became 75 years old, when she retired. For the past twenty-six years she and her daughter Mrs. B. A. Cooley had been in partnership in the millinery and ladies ready to wear. Mrs. Redson's first venture was at Vassar, Michigan where she first opened a small hair store. She branched out into other fields in women's wearing apparel, and some years later located at Clare, leaving there and locating in Vanderbilt. The Cooley family came to Grayling eleven years ago. In all Mrs. Redson's life had been a most active one. She had never been separated from her daughter Mrs.

Cooley, they having always shared their home together. Thus her later years were spent cheerfully in this home, where she was made most comfortable and happy.

Annie Engel was born in London, England Feb. 8, 1844. When a child she with her parents came to America and located at Vassar. Here in 1861 she became the wife of Birney Pennell and to the union four children were born, one of whom passed away in infancy. When the three children were small she was left a widow. In 1880 she again married this time to Jonathan Redson of Vassar, who passed away at Vanderbilt in 1905.

Mrs. Redson was a member of the First Congregational church of Vanderbilt and was also a charter member of the Alpha Reheah Lodge of that town.

The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the home, Rev. J. H. Salmon of Michelson Memorial church officiating.

The chief event of the evening was the work of Paul Hendrickson, formerly of the Lumberjacks, now playing with Gaylord, who was His point man by securing 12 points for the Merchants. A large number of Grayling fans motored up to witness the game.

On Friday the Lumberjacks will

travel to Alpena and play the Al-

pena Indians in the Holiday feature.

The lineup:

Gaylord—21	FG	FT	TP
Johnson	1	0	2
Hendrickson	5	2	12
Andrews	2	1	5
Fox	1	0	2
Sisson	0	0	0
Total	9	2	21
Gaylord—14	FG	FT	TP
Neal	1	0	2
LaGrow	0	0	0
Brady	2	0	4
Robertson	1	1	3
Total	6	2	14

The Log Rollers

Many an autobiography is little more than a novel with the author's favorite character as the hero.—Washington Star



Winter Sports

(NOTE—The Avalanche is indebted to T. W. Hanson for the following interesting Winter Sports Notes.—EDITOR.)

Mrs. C. T. Korry of Saginaw who has always been so loyal to Grayling in all of its activities, has written a nice letter to our Association wishing us success and subscribing to two memberships.

Dr. T. J. LeBlanc, noted medical scientist and writer, who is affiliated with the University of Cincinnati, Ohio, subscribes for memberships for himself and wife and hopes to be able to attend our Carnival. Dr. and Mrs. LeBlanc occupied the cottage of Mrs. Hanson during the past summer at Lake Margrette.

Mr. Sidney T. Miller, prominent attorney of Detroit who spends much of his time on the AuSable river during the summer months has subscribed to a membership and wishes us success in the development of our winter playground.

Mr. Leslie P. Keegan, State Commander American Legion, formerly president Bay City Chamber of Commerce, subscribes for a membership and states in his letter he hopes we are meeting with a hearty response in the building of such a worthy community project.

Mr. A. T. Ferrell of Saginaw, who has a summer home at Higgins Lake and who is quite a frequent visitor in Grayling during the summer months, subscribes to two memberships and expresses the wish that our efforts will be crowned with success.

It is very cheering to the officers of our association to receive so much cooperation from our numerous friends from other cities who are familiar with Grayling and who are so willing to lend us their aid in any worthy project for the betterment of our village.

We are receiving inquiries for cottages so anyone having heated cottages for rent please advise our Secretary Mr. R. O. Milnes as to location and rental price per day. Rooming houses are also requested to list their facilities with our Secretary.

We are going to need your Xmas trees after you are through with them so, please leave them in the street in front of your homes and we will pick them up.

School children will be allowed the FREE use of Park every day excepting Sundays and Carnival days. Lunches will be served in the Club House at reasonable prices by Mr. James Bugby who will be in charge of the club house. All members of the Association, including their wives and children up to eighteen years of age are entitled to the FREE use of the Park at ALL TIMES. Memberships are \$5.00 each. Get yours NOW!

To NON-members a charge of 25¢ will be made for skating. Five cents per toboggan ride. Toboggan rental, one dollar per day or fifty cents for afternoon or evening.

Winter Park will be lighted at night for a short time immediately after supper Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, also at dates to be announced later.

All caretakers of Clubs are requested to forward a list of their members to our Secretary.

Mr. Smith, official photographer for Bay City Daily Times, spent a day here last week taking views of our Winter Sports park.

In the By-the-way Column of the Times in last Monday's issue, Glenn MacDonald writes an interesting little skit relative to winter sports at Grayling.

Mr. Drumm, who is the publicity writer for E.M.T. association is busily engaged at this moment writing Michigan Winter Sports stories to be used in several of our most prominent magazines. We are receiving the utmost of cooperation in our efforts from the East Michigan Tourist association, through the efforts of Mr. T. F. Marston. Mr. Marston was a recent visitor.

We are indebted to Mr. Schumann for so much space in his paper and for his cooperation; also that of every member of the Avalanche staff.

Milk Pasteurization
Experimental evidence indicates that pasteurization does not injure the chemical or nutritive value of milk to an appreciable degree. It is possible that vitamin C, which protects against scurvy, is injured or destroyed by pasteurization, but that is of little importance, except in the feeding of infants.

G.H.S. LOSES TO ALPENA

Grayling High School bumped up against some stiff opposition last Friday night when they played the highly touted Alpena Central High. Grayling we consider made a good showing against the Central High, a Class B team, who have gone through the season so far without a defeat. Last year the same quintet had the honor of being Class B champions, and this year they have gone as far as to defeat Arthur Hill High School of Saginaw, a Class A team. There's no doubt about it, they are a smooth working aggregation and for High School class the best seen on the local floor in some time. The Northern Lights played a fine defensive game, in fact the whole game was a defensive battle throughout.

At the end of the first quarter Alpena was on the big end of a 12 to 2 count. Grayling's chances looked slim then, but in the third quarter the locals took on new life and brought the score up to 16 and 8 with Alpena leading.

At one time during the last quarter the score stood 18 to 14, with Alpena just two field goals ahead. Excitement ran high, but Alpena soon put an end to Grayling's last quarter rally and when the final whistle blew the score stood 25 to 14.

This is the strongest team Grayling High will probably meet all year, and if the locals show as much fight in future games as they did against Alpena, no doubt they will have a good season.

Following is the box score:

Player, Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Sorenson, rf.	2	0	1
Dawson, lf.	1	0	1
Harrison, c.	0	0	2
Sheehy, rg.	2	1	0
Gothro, lg.	1	0	0
LaGrow, f.	0	0	1
Garner, c.	0	0	0
SanCarter, f.	0	0	1
Total	6	2	5

Player, Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Barney, rf.	5	0	1
Potvin, lf.	2	0	0
Peterson, c.	3	0	0

French, lg.	1	0	2
Total	12	1	3
Free throws: Grayling, 2 out of 4; Alpena, 1 out of 6.			

Referee: Roy Milnes.

WRITES GRAYLING SANTA CLAUS

In handwriting that looks as tho it may have come from some youngster, a letter came to the Grayling postoffice addressed: "Mr. Santa Claus, Grayling, Mich."

Mr. Eva Joseph has been a right hand assistant for Santa Claus this season and the letter was passed on to her.

Upon opening it she found the following written message on a hand colored scene of the interior of a church cathedral:

"A Merry Christmas
to The Hull Durn Town."
Beneath the message was signed
the letter "H."

We are sorry we cannot determine the name of the sender. However the message is most welcome and appreciated, and we are glad to pass it on to those for whom it was intended—the whole dun town. And in return we would say: The same to you, who ever thou art, and many more to come.

Feeding a Librarian

A librarian who possesses a college degree plus a year of training in an accredited library school will receive part maintenance, that is, \$25 a month and one meal during the period of training.—Library Journal.

COURAGE

THE year just closing has been in many respects the most trying period

in our history.

This condition—unhappy as it may be, should not be accepted as cause for discouragement.

Rather, we should rejoice that the vocation to which most of us have devoted our adult years, has stood so well the unprecedented pressure to which it has been subjected, thus fully justifying the belief that it will emerge amply able to continue and may soon again travel with safety and assurance.

Let us forget the past, except to cherish the lessons it has taught and profit by them. With patience, perseverance and courage, and standing four-square upon the foundation of useful service, honesty of purpose, fair dealing and diligence, we may face the future with an abiding faith in our country, our business, and ourselves.

So, the approaching Holiday season is a propitious time to recount, consider, and be grateful for our blessings, as a prelude to a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1931

MOTHERHOOD—The Foundation of the Home is the title of a feature that is being published in this issue of the Avalanche. It is being sponsored by a large number of our citizens, all of whom seemed glad to have a part in it. There are a number of others whom would have been glad to be among them had it been possible for us to reach them. It is a feature that strikes home, not to one of us, but to all of us. Because it is so close to every mother's son of us, it is especially appropriate for this Christmas season. We trust that every reader of the Avalanche will take time to read this much merited tribute to **MOTHERHOOD**.

BUSINESS DEPRESSION

Never were there greater opportunities to forge ahead than those made possible by the business depression from which we are just emerging.

When Abraham Lincoln was a young man he ran for the Legislature in Illinois, and was badly swamped.

He next entered business, failed, and spent seventeen years of his life paying up the debts of a worthless partner.

He was in love with a beautiful young woman to whom he was engaged—then she died.

Later he married a woman who, because of illness, was a constant burden to him.

Entering politics again, he ran for Congress, and again was badly defeated.

He then tried to get an appointment to the United States Land office, but failed.

He became a candidate for the United States Senate and was badly defeated.

In 1856 he became a candidate for the Vice-Presidency, and once more was defeated.

In 1858 he was defeated by Douglass.

One failure after another—bad failures—great setbacks. In fact, of all this he eventually became one of the greatest men of America, whose memory is honored and loved throughout the world.

When one contemplates the effect of a series of setbacks like this, doesn't it make one feel kind of small to become discouraged just because one thinks he is having hard time in life? During the next few months there will be many upsets in the old scale of industrial supremacy. New leaders are arising unfeared by tradition, undaunted by the obstacles imposed by business conditions.—The Typewriter Dealer.

HOME STUDY COURSES READY AT UNIVERSITY

Designed to meet the educational needs of many persons unable to attend the University, or out of reach of extension classes, six new correspondence courses for home study are announced by the University of Michigan Extension Division. Included are English literature, sociology, mechanical drawing, trigonometry, with short story writing and the social development of the child in preparation. While University credit is not given for correspondence courses, the same high caliber of work as is maintained in the extension classes will be the rule.

Rialto Theatre (GRAYLING)

PROGRAM
Saturday, Dec. 24th (only)
Warner Barber
in
"SURRENDER"
Chapter No. 5
"GALLOPING GHOST" featuring Red Grange
Traveltalks

Sunday and Monday, Dec. 27-28
Norma Shearer and Robert
Montgomery

"PRIVATE LIVES"
Stan Laurel & Oliver Hardy
Comedy, News, Fables

Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec.
29-30
All Star Cast

"GUILTY GENERATION"
Drama, News

Wednesday Evening, Dec. 31
John Wayne

Red Grange and Ian Keith

"THE DISCREET"
Romantic Comedy

SUNDAY SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS PARTY

A very pleasing program and play was given by the primary and intermediate departments of Michelson Memorial Sunday School Wednesday evening before a capacity audience of parents and children in the auditorium of the church which had been made attractive with a huge, beautifully lighted Christmas tree as well as other pine trees and wreaths.

The following program was given by the Primary Department:

"Away in the Manger"—Barbara Borchers.

"Christmas"—Betty Sparkes, Bobbie Bennett, Jeanie Hammon, Roger Giegling, Katherine Skingley, Robbie Ryan, Jane Milnes, Clarence Hoestl, Nellie Welsh.

"Poem"—Shirley Young, Violet Daly.

Song by Primary group—Carol children.

"Secrets"—Eleanor Bugby.

Song—"Feathery Snowflakes"—Frederick Smith, Mildred Smith.

Poem—Oscar Holmberg.

"What the Stars Say"—Betty Jorgenson, Anna May C. Jorgenson, Betty Parsons, Thelma Flagg.

Poem—Margaret Flagg.

"In a Lonely Manger"—Primary group.

The second part of the program was a play presented by the intermediate department, "The Magic Star of Bethlehem." The cast included:

Betty—Norma Pray.

Billy—Billy Josephs.

Mother—Dorothy Roberts.

The Star Lady—Wilma Burrows.

Nina Allison—Clara Atkinson.

Betty and Billy, two children who do not know the true meaning of Christmas learn it from "The Stumble Blocks" and the "Star Lady" who are members of the intermediate department of the Sunday school.

The parts were very well taken and the beautiful lesson of the story was portrayed splendidly. The play was given under the direction of Mrs. T. P. Peterson, while the program was directed by Mrs. Augustus Finch, Mrs. Herbert Gothard, Miss Betty Welsh and Miss Ellen Gothard.

WINTER SPORTS CHRISTMAS PARTY VERY ENJOYABLE

Many winter sports enthusiasts attended the dancing party last Friday evening at the Board of Trade club rooms and danced merrily to the music of the Grayling Winter Sports orchestra. A Christmas tree adorned the floor and many humorous presents were exchanged.

The entire proceeds of this well-attended affair was turned over to the Winter Sports committee to aid them in continuing their work at the slide. This is the third benefit dance and each one has been very successful, demonstrating plainly the desire our citizens have to comprise our winter sports playground.

The winter sports orchestra, comprised of five ambitious young men, have done an excellent thing in donating their services in raising finances for this cause and much praise and thanks should be theirs for the hours of time they have so willingly given without any reimbursement whatsoever.

Members of this band are as follows: Leo Schram, piano; Ronnow Hanson, violin; Harold McNeven, trumpet; Marcus Hanson, trombone, and Don Reynolds, traps.

Let us get behind this orchestra and see what we can do about promoting a dance crowd for them when they sponsor a party.

**CHRISTMAS SEALS
BRING HEALTH**

"Santa Claus may not knock at as many doors this Christmas as last, but tuberculosis may knock at many more."

So warns the Michigan Tuberculosis Association in an appeal for redoubled efforts in Michigan's war against tuberculosis now carried on by Christmas seal funds.

Insufficient food, poor living conditions and worry are opening the door for the spread of tuberculosis which must be checked at once before it can kill its new victims. It is cited by the Association. The disease will fall most heavily on those who, weakened by hardships, have been farther exposed to tuberculosis.

"For those who have lost health above all else, there can be no finer gift than health bought with the Christmas seal donations of generous Michigan people," the statement advises. "A few pennies spent by everyone can prevent later personal disaster for the thousands of Michigan men, women, and children now facing sickness, perhaps death from tuberculosis."

"Many good-hearted people have already given as much as they can toward the tuberculosis fight, but there are still many who can make this a happy Christmas for those helpless in the face of tuberculosis," the Association's appeal continues.

The tuberculosis Christmas seals cost very little, but they do a lot of good. No one should be denied the necessity of good health."

The fight against tuberculosis, led by the Michigan Tuberculosis Association and its local branches, is supported by the sale of tuberculosis Christmas seals. More than 30,000 Michigan people, half of them children, are estimated to have tuberculosis. In 1930 alone, 2,912 people were killed by tuberculosis by the disease, one of them a Crawford County resident.

DO YOU KNOW?

That a famous pirate, Jean Lafitte, furnished artillerymen to General Jackson at the Battle of New Orleans in 1815?

That the aircraft carrier now being built for the Navy is named the Essex, after Paul Jones' first flag ship?

That the U. S. S. Akron is 9 feet longer than the Graf Zeppelin, and 107 feet longer than the Los Angeles?

That the above information was furnished by the U. S. Navy Recruiting Station 344 Randolph Street, New Jersey Building, Detroit, Mich.

FEVER CHANGES IN SPEARING LAWS

With the approach of the winter lake spearing season the Department of Conservation is again receiving requests and petitions for the closing of individual waters to the spear fisherman.

Several long petitions have been received from property owners along several of the larger inland lakes in the northern part of the state, asking that the Department make use of the discretionary power to act to close the lakes to winter spearing.

The Department is powerless to make use of its discretionary power to stop spearing, Director George R. Hogarth has told petitioners. This law, which authorizes the Director of Conservation to close seasons, may be used only in cases of emergency if there was no emergency at the time the Legislature adopted the spearing law, in the spring of 1931, there is no emergency today, so that the Department does not feel that it may invoke the Discretionary Power Act to close certain waters to spearing, Director Hogarth said.

While the last legislature did not abolish the spear, it did make several changes in the spearing law designed to limit the time when the spear may be used to protect the game fish.

During the coming winter, certain species may be speared only during January and February in the inland waters of the state. Only trout streams designated as open to hook and line fishing throughout the year, are excluded from the use of the spear. While last year only redhorse, pickerel, mullet and suckers could be speared in the inland lakes, during the coming January and February open spearing season, carp, sheshead, suckers, mullet, redhorse, lake trout, smelt, pike (great northern, grass pike and pickerel), muskellunge, whitefish, ciscoes, pilchard or menominee whitefish, dogfish and garpike may be taken.

Spearing in non-trout streams, for carp, suckers, redhorse, mullet, dogfish and garpike will be limited in the upper peninsula from March 1 to May 15 and in the lower peninsula from March 1 to April 30. The use of the jack or artificial light in spearing is forbidden this year.

HUNT RABBITS UNTIL JAN. 31ST

Lower peninsula rabbit hunters will have an additional month in which to hunt rabbits this year. The season in the lower peninsula will not close until January 31st, the same date on which it closes in the upper peninsula.

The season opened in the lower peninsula October 15, simultaneously with the seasons on other small game.

Last year lower peninsula rabbit hunters were forced to cease hunting January 1st. The rabbit season in the upper peninsula opened October 1 and will close January 31st.

In both peninsulas the bag limit for the season is 50 rabbits. Five rabbits may be taken in one day and ten may be had in possession at one time.

Nurserymen and fruit growers may own or use ferrets in protecting their property against rabbits. However, they must first secure a permit to do so from the local conservation officer.

The muskrat trapping season in the "middle" zone, which is that part of the lower peninsula north of the north line of T. 16 and west of Saginaw Bay, closed December 15 and the muskrat trapping season south of that line ends December 31.

The state has been divided this year into two zones for badger trapping. North of the north line of T. 16 North, the open season is from October 15 to January 31 inclusive.

The last of the regional raccoon trapping seasons closes December 15.

LOCAL FISH HATCHERY HAS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

In an interview with Mr. P. G. Zalman, Superintendent of the Grayling Fish hatchery we learn that the hatchery has had a very successful year in planting trout. They have planted 1,000,000 brook, brown and rainbow fingerlings from 3 to 7 inches long, and 6,000 yearlings from 7 to 9 inches long, and 13,500 adult brook trout from 10 to 18 inches long.

They also planted from the AuSable rearing station which is about 12 miles east of Grayling, and sponsored by Mr. H. E. Smith, Jr., of Bay City and other sportsmen owning summer homes along the AuSable river. These ponds produced 56,700 brook trout fingerlings and 10,000 brown trout.

And from the Huron Creek station on Huron Creek in Montmorency County which was built and is owned by Mr. E. M. Cummings of Flint, Mich. This station produced 54,800 brook trout fingerlings which were distributed and planted in trout streams in that county.

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TWO REPUBLICAN members of congress from Pennsylvania—Representative Louis McFadden and Senator David A. Reed—voted to the national legislature by violent attacks on the policy of President Hoover and the administration in relation to the moratorium on intergovernmental debts and the suggested revival of the refunding commission with the possibility of cancellation of war debts. McFadden, former chairman of the house banking and currency committee, was especially bitter in his hour-long speech, asserting that Mr. Hoover had "sold out" the United States to "the German international bankers" whom he named as Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the Seligmanns, Paul Warburg and "their satellites." He said the administration's course in working for acceptance of the moratorium was like "the ways of an animal potentate drunk with power." He declared the President's official poll of congress last June was "a crude attempt to usurp legislative power."

Representative John J. O'Connor of New York, a Tammany Democrat, jumped to his feet shouting to the Republicans:

"It's my President as well as yours he's talking about, and if none of you will defend him from charges which are grounds for impeachment, I'm going to."

But Burnett M. Chipley of Illinois, Republican, was already up and his reply was



by Florence Harris Wells

BOB PARSELL, home from college for the holidays, entered one of the rear pews of the great cathedral and settled himself with a satisfied air of expectancy.

Bob had always wanted to attend one of these midnight services and at last he had made it possible—forced the issue as it were. Bob looked about him.

There was Mary, the Mother of Jesus, bending over the babe. Not far away was Joseph, the father. Mary's expression made him think of his own mother, when she and dad started off in the car for the hundred-mile drive to his unmarried aunt's home at Wakefield. Dad had said:

"Too bad your holiday job keeps you from driving with us, Bob. But I'll meet you at the station in the morning."

And mother, understanding her son little better than father, had said: "You won't miss the midnight train, will you, Bob? It would spoil Christmas not to have you with us, you know."

And he, Bob, had said: "All right," not knowing himself just what he meant by it. And he felt sure mother didn't either.

But after they had gone he became more and more positive, he was not going to Wakefield. Christmas was meant to be a happy time and he had been away from home all the year and besides he wanted to go to the tea dance Christmas afternoon with Margaret. Of course he knew mother would have had the Christmas at home if she had been able, but she hadn't gotten over that operation yet and father insisted upon considering his sisters and accepting their urgent invitation.

The manager of the store had told Bob to go but Bob seized upon the excuse to work until the store closed at eleven. He was going to do as he pleased. Christmas was the time to be happy.

But when he called Margaret she was going away with her parents for Christmas. That in itself was disappointing but he would see what the midnight service was like anyway. But he wasn't a bit comfortable. Mary looking at that Christ child the way she did began to annoy him. It was too much like mother's look—and mother wasn't well.

"Oh, hang it all!" Bob muttered. "Why can't a fellow do what he wants and be happy?" He seized his coat and dashed out.

There was just time to catch the twelve-fifteen. No use taking a sleeper. Bob entered the coach with its nodding occupants. But who were those wide-awake people a few seats down?

"Margaret! For Pete's sake! Where're you going?" Bob's exclamation roused several of the sleepers.

"Why, we're going to Wakefield. Dad's people live there and we go there occasionally for Christmas. This happens to be one of the occasions."

"Well, I'm more lucky than I deserve," Bob laughed a little awkwardly.



"Well, I'm More Lucky Than I Deserve."

"I, I, I'm going. Do you suppose there'll be any kind of a dance?"

"I know there is. I was wondering who I'd go with, but now I know."

"You can know that for sure," Bob grinned.

Bob was philosophizing to himself as he dressed for breakfast:

"I never would have been a cad to have stayed at home. Dad at the train to meet me and mother up waiting, so scared and happy when I arrived. Well, a date with Margaret for good measure. Gosh! Wouldn't I have been a cad if I'd just sat around thinking of others before myself? I'm convinced."



MOTHERHOOD

The Foundation of the Home

IF THE HOME is the foundation of a nation, Motherhood is the foundation of the Home and it is to Mother that we must render tribute for the greatness of our country. "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world" through les-

sons taught to sons and daughters—the leaders of the future. It is by the loving patience and self-sacrificing devotion of countless Mothers that we have developed a prosperous, happy and peace-loving community. Our debt to them is far beyond our power to repay.

Our interest in the welfare of this community prompts us to sponsor this message to the people of Grayling and vicinity

GORDON B. MOFFAT, M. D.
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DR. C. J. CREEN, Dentist.
A. G. CLOUGH, Tree Surgeon.
HERB GOTHRO.

THE SENATOR IS RIGHT

State Senator John H. Lennon of Lennon has up and spoke "right out in meetin'." He charges the farm bureau and the state Grange with being that type of organization whose high officials "live off the farmer without rendering any worth while service." Included in his category he mentions also the Michigan Milk Producers association which according to Senator Lennon takes \$100,000 out of the farmer's milk check during a year and as he states gives nothing in return. The senator points to the findings of the recent commission appointed to study the milk situation in Detroit and elsewhere as proof of his last mentioned assertion.

The senator insists the members of those organizations "are aroused and the officers who form the 'payroll gang' realize a day of accounting is at hand."

Senator Lennon has hit upon a very important issue. No person who has observed the legislature in session for any length of time has failed to take note of the importance which certain self-nominated leaders of farm thought take unto themselves. And not the least to be mentioned among these forces are those who hold official positions and favored spots on the state payrolls. The most vicious lobby to be found are statelites of the state who seek more power and authority at every session and who are constantly to be found during the session with mouth to ear pleading with farmer members for their support.

The best thing that can happen for the farmer is to send to the legislature only such men as those in whose judgment they have confidence. High-pressure lobbyists claiming to speak for the farmer are the farmer's worst enemies. Senator Lennon knows this perhaps as well as any person in the state. He is to be commended for daring to speak his mind thus openly.—Mason News.

POTPOURRI

Skunk vs. Pole Cat

The pole cat and skunk are not the same animal, although closely related. The pole cat is a European animal and was once widely distributed, but has been almost entirely exterminated. It is about 17 inches long, with a tail 6 inches. In common with its American brother, it too secretes at will a liquid of most disagreeable odor.

(6, 1931, Western Newspaper Union.)

Not Proud Insignia

Michigan is the "Wolverine" state. The animal, the wolverine, is, or was, one of the most disreputable creatures in the woods anywhere, famed for his dirty habits. But for the matter of that, the bold eagle insignia of this great nation is a buzzard.—Detroit News.

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UNLESS you see the name Bayer and the word genuine on the package, as pictured above you can never be sure that you are taking the genuine Bayer Aspirin that thousands of physicians prescribe in their daily practice.

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Headaches Nervitis.
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No harmful after-effects follow its use. It does not depress the heart.

Being Constantly Amused

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Emeritus Dean of Men,
University of Illinois.

We have never had moving picture or vaudeville houses open on Sunday in our town for more than a few days at least. Every few years the subject comes up for discussion and sometimes even a vote is taken, but so far the opposition has won out.

Those who favor the opening of the theater on Sunday argue that there is nothing to do if they cannot see a vaudeville show or a moving picture. They are resourceless; they yawn or sleep through the day and are glad when Monday comes and they can take up their regular work again.

The thing that has interested me in observing the people who have made the loudest plea for the Sunday theater is that they are the ones who have most opportunity if they choose to use it, for this sort of recreation during the week.

I was more than interested while reading excerpts from the autobiography of Mr. George Arliss to get a point of view very different from what one might expect from this great actor who has spent all his life on the stage and who must have a very favorable opinion of what the theater has to contribute toward the healthy amusement of the public.

"If I had my way," he says, "I would close all theaters and all movie houses on Sunday. I would make it a day apart. I would withhold all the ordinary amusements except outdoor sports." . . . There is no reason why the day should be dull for anyone. There are always good books. There are hobbies to be pursued. I would have all the art galleries and museums wide open. I would have classical music and high-class concerts. . . . I do not suggest that this class of entertainment is necessarily better, but it is different, and it is likely to open up in one's mind fresh ideas. . . . An unbroken routine in our amusements may be as bad as a steady grind in our labor." It is his last sentence which appeals to me.

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(6, 1931, Western Newspaper Union.)

Truth About Ostrich

The ostrich's proverbial foolishness in hiding its head in the sand and thinking it is thereby concealed in one of the myths that have been discarded by modern science. The ostrich is a very alert and wary bird and, except for its habit of running in a circle, can rarely be caught.

Daytime Frocks



Captain and Guard



Harry Asbury is captain of the University of Chicago basketball team. He plays at guard.

Dime a Day Is Baby Star's Pay



ALTHOUGH five-year-old Dickie Moore is now a full-fledged moving picture star, making more money than lots of men, he goes to school like any other boy of his age and likes reading, writing and arithmetic much better than acting. He spends three hours every weekday during the winter in the Little Red Schoolhouse on the movie lot and sometimes, when no pictures are in production, he is the only boy in his class. He regards the movies as a sort of game, much more fun than school. He gets a dime every day he works well and a new toy whenever a picture is finished, which pleases him immensely. Dickie is making his radio debut in one of the forthcoming programs of the Radio Newsreel of Hollywood, which will feature the film of schoolhouse and home life growing up and through to a garbageman so he can wear white gloves."

Bloom of Rice Plant

Varies in Localities

Temperature plays an important part in the flowering of the rice plant. Rice flowers are relatively inconspicuous, but an official of the United States Department of Agriculture, who works on the improvement of the rice crop, has studied the blooming habits of the plant in connection with the cross-breeding of varieties.

The rice plant blooms suddenly and for only a short time. One observer noted a complete opening of the flower in thirty seconds. The blooming continued for only about two hours. Rice flowers are rarely open before the sun has warmed the earth and air, and they close before the sun is far down. In the United States and in Japan the rice blooms later than in warmer areas, such as Java, India and the Philippine Islands. In India, observers say, rice will not bloom until the temperature has reached 77 degrees Fahrenheit. But there the temperature runs high as a rule and rice blooms most freely in the early morning hours soon after the dew evaporates, and the flowers close before the heat of noon. In California, the maximum period of bloom is the two hours after noon.

Rice has a complete flower, and usually fertilizes itself. It "breeds true," and there is little cross-fertilization. The pollen from the stamens fertilizes the stigma in the same plant, usually before or at the time the flower opens.

Easy Way of Inducing

Bees to Change Abode

Bees often take up their abode where they are not wanted, as in a cavity in a wall. A good way to get them out is to put a bee "escape" over the entrance to the cavity, so the bees can get out but not in. A cone of wire cloth about 8 inches high with a hole at the apex just large enough for one bee to pass through will serve as an escape. A regular hive should be placed beside the entrance for the return of the escaped bees. The queen remains in the old cavity and goes on laying eggs, but as the colony is quickly reduced in size the quantity of the brood decreases. The younger bees leave the cavity and join the bees in the hive. A new queen should be given to the bees in the hive as soon as possible.

After about four weeks, remove the bee escape and make as large a hole as possible at the entrance of the cavity. The bees will go in for the honey and carry it to the hive. For this method to work successfully it is necessary that the bees have only one exit from the cavity.—United States Department of Agriculture.

First American Flag

A standard with 13 alternate blue and silver stripes, carried by the Philadelphia Troop of Light Horse in 1775, is the first known attempt to provide a national flag. At Cambridge, Mass., on January 2, 1776, General Washington, acting on his own initiative, raised a flag consisting of 13 alternate white and red stripes with the crosses of St. George and St. Andrew in a blue field in the upper left-hand corner. Under various designations, this was employed until displaced by the Stars and Stripes, adopted by the Continental congress, June 14, 1777.

His Way

"Don't you sometimes get lost in the woods when you go out possum hunting and get separated from your brothers?" asked a motorist in the Romulus Ridge region.

"Nope!" replied young Banty, son of Gap Johnson. "When I don't know whar I'm at and there hain't nobody around to ask I just pick out the way I know leads toward home and turn right around and go the other way; that always fetches me home by the shortest trail!"—Kansas City Star.

Canadian Timber

It is estimated by the Dominion forest service that the only economic use for three-eighths of the land area of Canada lies in the growing of trees. This vast area of territory, while incapable of successful agricultural production, is, if permanently dedicated, protected and managed, suited to the production of a timber crop, which would guarantee for all time the supply of raw material for Canada's wood-using industries.—Natural Resources Bulletin.

London's Pall Mall

The average American and Canadian tourist may have difficulty in recognizing Pall Mall, as the "Pell Mell," to which the London policeman directs him, when he asks for the famous street. It was named after the French game Paille-mall, which was first played here in the days of Charles I. On this street were the homes of Defoe of Robinson Crusoe fame, Swift of Gulliver's Travels, Sterne of the "Sentimental Journey," and Gibbon, the historian.

Boiling Water

Water boils at 212 degrees F. At 115 degrees a person finds water almost too hot to hold his hand in it. Fabrics that will not be injured by water can be freed of living clothes moth eggs and larvae by being dipped for 10 seconds in water heated to 140 degrees F. Care, however, must be exercised to have and keep the water at this or a greater temperature. Larvae and eggs in flannel dipped for 10 seconds in water heated only to 122 degrees F. remain unaffected.

Alfalfa Long Cultivated

Alfalfa was brought from Chile to California in 1864. It was introduced into Mexico and South America at the time of the Spanish conquest, and has been cultivated in Europe for more than 2,000 years. According to Pliny, it was introduced into Greece from Media at the time of the Persian wars with King Darius, about 470 B.C., giving rise to the belief that Media or Persia is probably the region where it was originally cultivated.



WOMEN: watch your BOWELS

What should women do to keep their bowels moving freely? A doctor should know the answer. That is why pure Syrup Pepin is so good for women. It just suits their delicate organism. It is the prescription of an old family doctor who has treated thousands of women patients, and who made a special study of bowel troubles.

It is fine for children, too. They love its taste. Let them have it every time their tongues are coated or their skin is sallow. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepin is made from fresh laxative herbs, pure pepin and other harmless ingredients.

When you've a sick headache, can't eat, are bilious or sluggish; and at the times when you are most apt to be constipated, take a little of this famous prescription (all drug stores keep it in big bottles), and you'll know why Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepin is a genuine laxative of over a million women.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Grayling in said county, on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1931.

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Harry Hemmingson, deceased.

Margretta Hemmingson of the Village of Grayling having filed in said court her petition praying that the administration and settlement of said estate be granted to said Margretta Hemmingson or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered, That the 4th day of January A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, he and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

GEORGE SORENSEN, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

12-17-4

MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the condition of a certain mortgage made by Albert J. Charron and Mabel C. Charron, to Louis DeLaire, dated the third day of August, A. D. 1926, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the county of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 2nd day of October, A. D. 1926, in Liber I of mortgages, on page 410 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest and taxes, the sum of four hundred ninety-seven and four one-hundredths dollars, and an attorney's fee as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on Saturday, the 20th day of February, A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the undersigned will, at the front door of the court house in the Village of Grayling, that being the place where the Circuit Court for the county of Crawford is held, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said mortgage, with seven per cent interest, and all legal costs, together with said attorney's fee, to wit, lot two of block two of Martha M. Brink's Addition to the Village of Grayling, and lot six of block two of Martha M. Brink's Second Addition to the Village of Grayling, according to recorded plats thereof.

GEORGE SORENSEN, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

Crawford County, Michigan.

Merle F. Nellist, Attorney for mortgagee.

Grayling, Michigan. 11-26-13

SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, to me directed and delivered, in favor of Axel J. Peterson, against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of Holger F. Peterson, I did, on the 23rd day of November, A. D. 1931, levy upon and take all the right, title and interest of said Holger F. Peterson, subject to the interest of the Estate of R. Hanson, in and to the following described real estate, situated in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, to wit: all those certain pieces and parcels of land situated in the Village of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, known and described as Lots five and six of block eight of Holley's Second Addition to the Village of Grayling, according to the recorded plat thereof, as to the right, title and interest of said Axel J. Peterson, at the front door of the court house in the Village of Grayling, that being the building in which the Circuit Court for the county of Crawford is held, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as the law directs, at the front door of the court house in the Village of Grayling, that being the place where the Circuit Court for the county of Crawford is held, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said mortgage, with five per cent interest, and all legal costs, together with said attorney's fee, to wit: the south half of the northeast quarter and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section sixteen, town twenty-eight north, range three west, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

GEORGE SORENSEN, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

12-3-4

MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the condition of a certain mortgage made by John E. Westcott, a widow, to Archibald Howse and Lydia A. Howse, dated the 2nd day of August, A. D. 1926, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the county of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1926, in Liber H of mortgages, on page 399 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, and taxes the sum of one thousand three hundred thirty-eight and eighteen hundredths dollars, and an attorney's fee as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding at law having been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

It is further ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

GEORGE SORENSEN, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

12-20-3 Sheriff.

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN OR LIENS UPON THE LAND HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefore, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the County in which the land lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per cent additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of Land
STATE OF MICHIGAN, Crawford.



Hanson Hardware Co.

Phone 21

Local Happenings

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1931

Wishing all a Merry Christmas.

Clarence Johnson purchased the Auburn 8 of Fr. Culligan Tuesday.

Rasmus Rasmussen has been in Detroit for the past week on business.

L. G. Balch, H. G. Hackman and Chas. Lovelace of Cheboygan were in Grayling Thursday on business.

Mrs. Nels Corwin and daughters Miss Mildred and Mrs. Carl Hanson were callers in Grayling Monday.

Dance every Saturday night at Frederic. New music. New management. 50c per couple; spectator 10c.

Friends of Mrs. Henry Pearson will be glad to know that she is nicely recovering from a recent illness.

If the weather permits Grayling band will play a concert at the Community tree this evening at 7:00 o'clock.

A Community tree has been placed at the intersection of Michigan and Petticaudor avenues. It is brilliant with lights and trimmings.

Miss Jane Keyport is home from the Ward-Belmont School for girls, Nashville, Tenn., and spending the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport. She was not in Detroit by her mother and they arrived home Saturday.

Thursday evening Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Moffat were hosts at a very charming bridge party. Two tables were filled for the game, which was followed by dancing. Mrs. R. R. Burns and Mr. O. P. Schumann held the high scores for bridge.

Alex LaGrow left for Detroit Sunday to spend a few weeks visiting his sons and daughters who reside there. He was accompanied by his son Wesley and daughter Yvonne and Miss Wilma Burrows who returned after spending the week end.

Christmas Cheer,
Hurray
New Year

Central Drug Store

C. W. OLSEN, Prop'r

Christmas Greetings

GREETINGS of the season are extended by this store to all our friends and patrons. We wish to thank you for your patronage and belief in us throughout the past year. We are extremely gratified that we justified that faith and hope to be of continued and helpful service to you in the coming year.

Grayling 5c To \$1.00
Store

Mr. and Mrs. LaVere Cushman and son Robert are spending Christmas at the home of the former's parents in Ypsilanti.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leaky and children of Bay City spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sherman.

Miss Mildred Corwin who teaches in Lansing is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Corwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Jorgenson and daughter Leone left today to spend Christmas visiting relatives and friends in Detroit.

Mrs. Loy Cameron and son Robert of Grand Rapids are spending the week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brown.

The first mass at St. Mary's church Christmas morning will be a high mass at 7:00 o'clock, followed by a low mass at 9:00 o'clock.

Clayton Sherman left Wednesday night for Detroit to spend Christmas with his sisters, Mrs. Otto Siedel and Mrs. Earl Wright.

Earl Gierke is home from Central State Teachers college for the holiday vacation, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Gierke.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hanson of Flint are spending Christmas at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Hansine Hanson and family.

Kenneth McLeod of Detroit arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with his mother Mrs. Clara McLeod, and sister Mrs. Annabel McKenna.

Dr. Gordon B. Moffat and family left Wednesday morning to spend Christmas with relatives in Toronto, Canada. They will return Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Cooley and grandson Sam Gust expect to spend Christmas in Vanderbilt at the home of Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Winer.

Chris Hemmingson and Harold Edwards left Wednesday for Detroit to spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hemmingson.

Mrs. James Reynolds and son James spent the week end in Twinning at the home of the former's daughter, Mrs. Guy Reiki and family.

Miss Mary Schumann is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barber who have been visiting in Detroit and Farmington for the past month will return home with the boys next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Eckenfels left Tuesday for Green-Grove Springs, Florida, where they expect to spend the remainder of the winter as the guests of Mr. Eckenfels' son, Frank Eckenfels. They will also visit relatives in Memphis, Tenn.

A. J. Nelson accompanied by his sisters Misses Margrethe and Olga Nelson motored to Cadillac Friday to meet Miss Anna Nelson of Grand Rapids, who is here to spend Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nelson.

A large number of people attended the Christmas program at the F. M. Church Tuesday evening. The program consisted of recitations and songs by the members of the Sunday School. Bags of candy and fruit were distributed among the children.

Yuletide guests at the home of Postmaster and Mrs. M. A. Bates include Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Jerome and family of Syracuse, N. Y.; Lieut. and Mrs. R. E. Bates and family of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hermann and little daughter of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Holst, and son Spencer Jr. of Detroit are spending Christmas at the home of Mrs. Holst's parents, Mayor and Mrs. Charles O. McCullough. Miss Bessie McCullough, who has been in Detroit for some time arrived home Saturday for the holidays.

Sterling Poultry Farm of Sterling is a member of the Baby Chick Poultry Service and invite you to listen over station WLS every Saturday at 12:15 o'clock p. m. Central standard time and hear Poultry Service Time with their compliments. They carry a special program for poultry raisers and practical poultry information. Intermingled in the program are a variety of musical numbers.

The Student Nurses and the Nurses Alumnae enjoyed a Christmas party Tuesday night at the Hospital Annex. A beautiful Christmas tree adorned the room and presents were exchanged. A two-scene play was put on by the nurses which was very much enjoyed. Later in the evening refreshments were served while Christmas carols were rendered by the group.

Honoring their sister Miss Anna, who is home from Grand Rapids for the holidays, Misses Margrethe and Olga Nelson entertained at a charming bridge party Tuesday evening. High scores were held by Mrs. Holger Hanson and Miss Ingeborg Hanson. A lovely two course lunch was served on a table attractive in the Holiday colors, a wreath with a red candle light gracing the center of it. At each guest's place were favors of chocolate Christmas trees and Santas, and poinsettia baskets filled with nuts.

St. Mary's Altar society gave a most delightful Christmas party for the children of St. Mary's parish Tuesday afternoon at the Board of Trade rooms. This is an annual affair, but it seems this year it was just a little nicer than it has ever been before. In one corner of the room was a Christmas tree sparkling in its holiday dress, and small trimmed Christmas trees centered the long dinner tables. The party opened with a clever program of recitations and song numbers given by the children. This was in charge of Mrs. Adolph Peterson and Mrs. Lillian Snack. A pretty dialogue by four high school girls was very nicely given also and the letter was directed by Miss Hazel Cassidy. After the program a sumptuous dinner was served by Mrs. J. E. Schumeyer and her helpers. At this time Miss Monica Hewitt lead the children in extorting a vote of thanks to the ladies for the lovely party they were enjoying. Santa Claus appeared and boxes of candies and nuts were distributed.

John Bruun spent Wednesday in Detroit and Saginaw on business.

Mrs. Frank Bearch of Milwaukee is spending the holidays here with the Doctor.

Mrs. Clarence Overmyer and Mrs. LeRoy Scott of Roscommon were callers in Grayling Wednesday.

Make your plans to attend the Charity Ball that will be given New Years Eve at the High School gym.

Fifty-three Thursdays in the year 1931 makes the Avalanche get out 53 issues this year instead of the usual 52.

Services at the Danish-Lutheran church on Christmas day will be in the English language. The time is 11:00 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Chappel of Oxford are spending Christmas at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chappel.

Your presence at the Charity Ball New Years Eve at the High School gym will be appreciated. This is given as a benefit for Mercy Hospital.

Mrs. Helen B. Routier and son Ralph of Detroit are spending the holidays visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Baum.

The free matines for the children is this afternoon at the Rialto Theatre. George Olson, proprietor, is acting as Santa Claus. The children inviting them to see Charlie Chaplin in "City Lights."

The white cross that adorns the top of the Hospital seems to stand out alone against the blue sky. Recently a flood light was placed in front of it giving it a beautiful effect. We understand it is to be permanent.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Hathaway of Lansing arrived Tuesday to spend the holidays at the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. Anna Hermann. They have been spending the past couple of weeks in Port Hope and Harbor Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Cox and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Barber and son spent Sunday in Roscommon visiting Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Scott. In the evening they attended the Christmas program at the First Congregational church.

Everett and Arthur Corwin left last Friday to spend Christmas week in Farmington, Blissfield and Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barber who have been visiting in Detroit and Farmington for the past month will return home with the boys next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Eckenfels left Tuesday for Green-Grove Springs, Florida, where they expect to spend the remainder of the winter as the guests of Mr. Eckenfels' son, Frank Eckenfels. They will also visit relatives in Memphis, Tenn.

The word of Mr. Baumgras' death was received with much regret by his hosts of Grayling friends. He had been coming to Grayling for the past 16 years and many warm friendships had sprung up between him and our business people and others.

Mr. Baumgras had been in ill health for some time, but he had failed more rapidly since the death of his wife, that occurred in Grayling over a year ago.

Mr. Baumgras was a Spanish American war veteran and a military funeral was held in Lansing Monday. Old comrades of the deceased who mobilized in 1898 for the war against Spain carried him to his last resting place in Mt. Hope cemetery. He had served in the Michigan Volunteer Infantry, 31st regiment, Company E in Cuba and the 20th regiment U. S. Infantry in the Philippines.

Surviving the deceased are a brother, Daniel Baumgras, Shaftsbury, and two sisters, Mrs. Daniel Stampfli, who resides near Bath and Mr. C. O. Palmer, Dayton, Ohio. George Schaible, a brother-in-law of the deceased with Mrs. Schaible and son George Jr. of Grayling were in attendance at the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schaible and little son George will spend Christmas in Lansing at the home of Mrs. Charles Ryan. They have also been visiting in Detroit.

Miss Jean Thorne and Mrs. Anthony and two sons of Alpena spent the week end at the home of the former's aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Darveau.

The Student Nurses and the Nurses Alumnae enjoyed a Christmas party Tuesday night at the Hospital Annex. A beautiful Christmas tree adorned the room and presents were exchanged. A two-scene play was put on by the nurses which was very much enjoyed. Later in the evening refreshments were served while Christmas carols were rendered by the group.

Honoring their sister Miss Anna, who is home from Grand Rapids for the holidays, Misses Margrethe and Olga Nelson entertained at a charming bridge party Tuesday evening. High scores were held by Mrs. Holger Hanson and Miss Ingeborg Hanson. A lovely two course lunch was served on a table attractive in the Holiday colors, a wreath with a red candle light gracing the center of it. At each guest's place were favors of chocolate Christmas trees and Santas, and poinsettia baskets filled with nuts.

St. Mary's Altar society gave a most delightful Christmas party for the children of St. Mary's parish Tuesday afternoon at the Board of Trade rooms. This is an annual affair, but it seems this year it was just a little nicer than it has ever been before. In one corner of the room was a Christmas tree sparkling in its holiday dress, and small trimmed Christmas trees centered the long dinner tables. The party opened with a clever program of recitations and song numbers given by the children. This was in charge of Mrs. Adolph Peterson and Mrs. Lillian Snack. A pretty dialogue by four high school girls was very nicely given also and the letter was directed by Miss Hazel Cassidy. After the program a sumptuous dinner was served by Mrs. J. E. Schumeyer and her helpers. At this time Miss Monica Hewitt lead the children in extorting a vote of thanks to the ladies for the lovely party they were enjoying. Santa Claus appeared and boxes of candies and nuts were distributed.

Services at the Danish-Lutheran church on Christmas day will be in the English language. The time is 11:00 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Chappel of Oxford are spending Christmas at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chappel.

Your presence at the Charity Ball New Years Eve at the High School gym will be appreciated. This is given as a benefit for Mercy Hospital.

Mrs. Helen B. Routier and son Ralph of Detroit are spending the holidays visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Baum.

The free matines for the children is this afternoon at the Rialto Theatre. George Olson, proprietor, is acting as Santa Claus. The children inviting them to see Charlie Chaplin in "City Lights."

The white cross that adorns the top of the Hospital seems to stand out alone against the blue sky. Recently a flood light was placed in front of it giving it a beautiful effect. We understand it is to be permanent.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Hathaway of Lansing arrived Tuesday to spend the holidays at the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. Anna Hermann. They have been spending the past couple of weeks in Port Hope and Harbor Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Cox and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Barber and son spent Sunday in Roscommon visiting Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Scott. In the evening they attended the Christmas program at the First Congregational church.

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GREETINGS

WE COME to you, our friends at home to rejoice with you this Christmas Season in the many blessings which we enjoy, and to share with you thankfulness for the spirit of One, Who, as the greatest Gift to mankind, made this Christmas Season possible.

We believe that the coming of better days is not far off, and that a return to more prosperous conditions in the near future is inevitable. Let us patiently and courageously, on, undaunted by temporary difficulties.

We thank you all for the cooperation and the loyal support you have given this Company during the past year. With such loyalty, we cannot help looking confidently to the future. We wish for you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Grayling Mercantile Co.

The Quality Store—Phone 125

HENRY BAUMGRAS

WINTER SPORTS
PASSED AWAY
COM'T'S APPOINTED

At a meeting of the Winter Sports association held in the Board of Trade club rooms on Monday, Dec. 21, the following committees were appointed by President Clarence Johnson:

Advertising and Publicity—T. W. Hanson, O. P. Schumann, John Brun.

Carnival Sports—L. Cushman, R. R. Burns, Charles Webb, F. J. Wehn.

Queen's Ball—All details for coronation of Winter Sports Queen; general ceremonies and preparation; all details for Carnival Queen; Mrs. C. G. Clementz; Mrs. A. J. Joseph.

Mrs. Esbern Olson, Mrs. Esbern Hanson, T. W. Hanson, C. W. Olsen, J. Fred Alexander.

General Entertainment—C. J. McCormick, F. X. Tatu, Wilfred Laurent, Esbern Olson, Harold McNeven, T. W. Hanson, John Brun, A. J. Joseph, Geo. Burke, Theo. Cassidy.

Traffic and Parking—J. E. Bobenmoyer, Frank May, J. B. Schoenover.

Carnival Dance—Harold McNeven, Leo Schram, Rommel Hanson.

Housing Committee—Thos. Cassidy, Carl Sorenson.

STERLING HEN WINS INTERNATIONAL PRIZE

The White Leghorn Hen No. 928 of the Sterling Poultry Farm pen is tied for second place in eggs laid of the entire International Egg Laying contest conducted at East Lansing at the end of the second month of laying.

Thunder and lightning, followed by a blizzard is the weather report for today. There's snow in the air, so we believe we will have the usual beautiful white for Christmas.

Yuletide Greetings

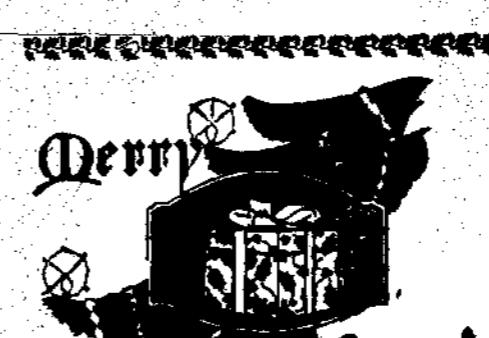
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Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO.

Thursday, December 24, 1908

George H. Leonard and wife will spend the holidays in the eastern part of the state while he looks for aid from certain medical experts.

Tuesday morning was the coldest of the season to that date. The mercury registered at 2 degrees below zero.

Ben Jerome is home for the holidays from the M. A. C. It looks natural to see him, with George, who came two weeks ago, having their old time fun with old time friends.

Phil Mosher has bought the Evans' residence on the east corner of the school house. It is a pleasant and convenient location.

Frank Jorgenson, Ray Amidon and Miss Florence Countryman are Graylings, home from the Ferris school for the holiday vacation.

The Roscommon Herald was a year old last week, and is a lively yearling, which like most kids has made itself heard. Here is hoping it will receive a good start.

A. C. Wilcox started last Monday for a trip to Titusville, Pennsylvania, where he will visit a brother and sister and their families during the holiday season. We wish him a pleasant trip and safe return.

Mr. Charles R. Cowell, who represents the Success Shorthand School, the school that graduates Expert Stenographers and Court Reporters, will be glad to meet anyone interested in High School shorthand at his old home in Grayling, Michigan.

Miss Kathryn Bates, Deaconess, nearly all of whose life has been passed in this village, occupied the pulpit of the M. E. church last Sunday evening, to the delight of an appreciative audience. We hear that Miss Bates will be stationed at Toledo the ensuing year.

Christopher R. King who has served a four year term in the U. S. Navy and just concluded a two years work in the shipyard at Kittery, Maine, has returned to Grayling to live, with his wife, formerly Miss Venu Benedict of Beaver Creek. They are welcome.

H. C. McKinley, who published the Gaylord Herald for 21 consecutive

years has re-purchased the plant of C. C. Otis of Detroit, who tried to run a country paper on city ideas and gave up after eight months. The Herald is one of the handsomest and brightest papers in northern Michigan and we wish the new-old editor another 21 years of successful publishing.

At the regular meeting of the Marvin Post No. 240, G. A. R. December 12, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Commander—Daniel S. Waldron.

S. V. Com.—Adelbert Taylor.

J. V. Com.—Robert McElroy.

Chaplain—A. C. Wilcox.

Quartermaster—Delevan Smith.

Patriotic Instructor—Wm. S. Chalker.

Surgeon—O. Palmer.

Officer of the Day—Wright Havens.

Officer of the Guard—Lowell Fox.

Delegate to State Encampment—D. Hitchcock.

Alternate—A. E. Newman.

Chambers Sub Court Grayling No. 250, I.C.O.F. held their election of officers on Dec. 9th, 1903. The following officers were elected:

C. D.—C. Jerome.

C. F.—S. N. Inaley.

P. C. R.—A. W. Harrington.

C. R.—Libbie Bates.

V. C. R.—Fred Welsh.

Rec. Sec.—F. M. Freeland.

Fia. Sec. and Treas.—Fred Narren.

Orator—Edna Wainwright.

Supt. Juv. Ct.—A. W. Harrington.

Organist—Mae Smith.

S. W.—Jennie Freeland.

J. W.—Jessie Schoonover.

S. B.—Anna Brennan.

J. B.—Dell Smith.

Trustees—James McNeven, John Harrington.

Fin. Com.—Mary Shanahan, Emma Woodburn.

Locality Locals (22 Years Ago)

T. Walking was doing business in St. Helen Monday.

Jacob Traux shipped three hogs from his Tuscola farm to T. E. Douglass. Good market for meat at Lovells.

Ray Owen was at the county seat Monday and Tuesday.

C. W. Miller went to Grayling Saturday.

TO COMMAND AMERICA'S LARGEST LINER.

Captain George Fried, a former Navy man, has been selected to command the new liner Manhattan, largest merchant vessel ever built in the United States. Fried enlisted in the Army during the Spanish War, following which he entered the Navy, retiring in 1916 and going into the Merchant Marine. As captain of the SS America he gained world-wide fame by his rescue of the crew of

Uncle Ebenezer

"Loafin'," said Uncle Ebenezer, "is summin' to be discouraged. But what is you g'nter do wif de man dat is so industrious dat he'd rather be in trouble dan dolin' nummin'?"—Washington Star.

WASHINGTON NOTES AND COMMENTS

(By Congressman Roy O. Woodruff, Tenth Michigan District.)

An important measure to receive consideration in the House of Representatives last week and which was passed December 19 is a bill to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act so as to provide additional capital for Federal Land Banks, and to make it possible for the Federal Farm Board to extend to distressed farmers a moratorium on loans they may have with Federal Land Banks. The bill does not make such extensions mandatory, but does give to the Federal Farm Board the authority to grant such accommodation when and if deemed advisable. There is no time of industry that has suffered more distress through the last three years than agriculture. Droughts, which have been prevalent throughout the country during this period, together with the present low prices of farm products give rise to the necessity of doing something to enable the farmer to retain ownership or possession of his land. This measure will prove of assistance to those who have in the past, or will in the future, secure loans under the Federal Farm Loan Laws.

The moratorium on foreign loans was approved by the House of Representatives by a vote of 217 to 100 after extensive debate. A majority of the Democratic members of the House voted for it. The Republicans voted for it almost as a unit. It is significant in view of the outrageous charges made against the President by Congressman McFadden of Pennsylvania, that every Progressive Member of the House, including the Farmer-Laborite, Rep. Kvale of Minnesota, gave to it their unqualified endorsement. Section 5 of the Joint Resolution expressly declares the policy of Congress to be unequivocal against any cancellation or reduction of the indebtedness of foreign countries to the United States, and to the United States one penny.

The suggested market orders include only the necessary kinds of food, and those that cost the least. A family of five, says the leaflet, consisting of father, mother, and three children under 14 years of age, needs at least this much food each week:

Bread, flour, other grain products	30
Milk, quarts	28
Potatoes, pounds	20
Dried beans or peas, pounds	1
Tomatoes, fresh or canned, lbs.	6
Leafy vegetables (greens), lbs.	10
Other vegetables and fruits, lbs.	10
Butter, lard, bacon, margarine, other fats, lbs.	3
Sugar, molasses, sorgo syrup, lbs.	3
Lean meat, fish or cheese, lbs.	7
Eggs, dozen	1

This ration contains enough of each food to meet the needs of the body with a margin of safety. You can live on this ration for any length of time," the leaflet says.

The other ration is shown with the warning that it "just meets body needs with no margin for emergencies. You can get along for a while on this ration, but the nearer you come to the quantities of the other ration the safer you will be."

The following is the emergency ration (for a family of 5 for one week) with no margin of safety:

Bread, flour, other grain products	20
Milk, quarts	10
Potatoes, lbs.	10
Dried beans or peas, lbs.	3
Tomatoes, fresh or canned, lbs.	2
Leafy vegetables (greens), lbs.	6
Other vegetables and fruits, lbs.	8
Butter, lard, bacon, margarine, other fats, lbs.	5
Sugar, molasses, sorgo syrup, lbs.	5
Lean meat, fish or cheese, lbs.	5
Eggs, dozen	1

"These are balanced rations," the bureau points out. "The first one has less fat, sugar, dried beans, and peas, because it has more of other foods, than the second ration. Where rotates and sweetpotatoes cannot be had, use other vegetables and 2 to 4 pounds extra of flour or meal."

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DIVIDE YOUR FOOD DOLLAR IN FIVE PARTS

To get the most food for your money, especially if you have very little money, divide your food dollar in five parts, and spend it for five different kinds of food. This advice is included in a leaflet which comes from the Bureau of Home Economics and the Extension Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, under the title "Getting the Most for Your Food Money." The leaflet includes two suggested market lists, which show the quantities of each of the necessary kinds of food that a family of five should have each week. If there are children in the family, the Government home economists say, each dollar that goes for food should be spent like this: 26 cents for milk and cheese, 25 to 30 cents for vegetables and fruit, 15 to 20 cents for bread and cereals, 20 to 25 cents for butter, lard, or other fats and sugar or molasses, 15 to 20 cents for meat, fish, and eggs. A family of adults would need less milk and cheese, and correspondingly more vegetables and fruit.

And the leaflet emphasizes, "The fewer dollars you have the more important this is. If men and women are to feel well and able to work, if children are to be healthy and able to go to school, they must have enough food and they must have the right kinds of food. It is lack of certain essential kinds of food as well as insufficient quantity of food, that produces pellagra, scurvy, rickets, and other forms of malnutrition."

This leaflet has been prepared in response to daily requests for advice and assistance from men and women who write to the bureau asking how to maintain their families on diminished earnings, from relief workers dispensing money and food supplies, and from welfare organizations of many kinds.

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Bread, flour, other grain products

Milk, quarts

Potatoes, pounds

Dried beans or peas, pounds

Tomatoes, fresh or canned, lbs.

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We thank you for your past patronage and extend our best wishes for the Holiday Season.

Legion Notes

BY A. H. GANSSE

Dec. 25, 1916, marked the third Christmas on four major battle fronts of the World war. More than ten million of the youth and chivalry of Europe, with a sprinkling of black men from Africa, yellow and brown men from Asia, were at death-grips along more than two thousand miles of modern war trenches and fortifications. A sad commentary on the failure of International leadership and diplomacy, after two thousand years of the Christian era on Christmas Day: "Peace on earth, good will to all men." And though the world knew it not in that hour, this human slaughter and property waste were to continue for two years more. In fact, America and the neutral world were rather hopeful in that Christmas week of 1916, that peace by negotiation was on the way. For Germany had offered such a peace through the American government to the allied nations at war, on Dec. 12, 1916. And on Dec. 18, President Woodrow Wilson had sent out his famous note to all the nations at war asking them to restate their several and divergent reasons for their part in this Armageddon. He had been reelected on Nov. 7, 1916, largely because "he had managed to keep America out of the war." His note of Dec. 18, 1916, was a continuation of that peace effort. America and the neutral world had come to realize that the two groups of nations at war were so evenly matched in modern war strength that a decision by arms alone as had been hoped for by both sides all thru 1916, seemed now impossible. Some there were, who believed the German peace offer was a confession of impending defeat. They did not know that Russia had been destroyed, that the Central Powers considered themselves actually victors on land, and that Russia was whipped.

Christmas Day Of Fifteen Years Ago. Fortunately the millions of fighting men from Allied nations also believed their side victorious on that Christmas Day of 1916. Else, they might have found even less to look forward to than the mud, hazard and bitter winter cold of the war trenches. Some of the war veterans recalled that first war Christmas Day of 1914 in France. The British army were still largely regulars, who took their fighting as a matter of course. It mattered little to them whether they were on the battle line in South Africa or darkest Asia. They had no hate for the enemy, as a rule. It was just their hard luck to be thrust into another bloomin' war by powers over which they had no control. So they were inclined to fraternize with the enemy just across "No Man's Land." Those "Dutchies" over there were also Christians, and they were just as lonesome, far from home. But the following spring had come poison gas, flame throwers, high explosives, machine guns, barbed-wire and all the cruel innovations of a prolonged modern war. Had come bombs from the air, and torpedoes from submarines. War was to be made more horrible than ever before. Thereafter all fraternizing was at an end. All chivalry and glamor went by the board. There was no fraternizing along two thousand miles of battle line on Christmas Day, 1915. And now another year had come and gone, and to the millions of young men in the killing business, peace was quite far off. Down on the Mexican border, some 63,000 young Americans, regulars and volunteers, took quite another view of this same Christmas Day of 1916. The peace offer by Germany and President Wilson's peace inquiry to them meant a speedy return home. So Michigan's national Guardsmen at Fort Bliss, and El Paso, Texas, spent a particularly happy Yuletide. They shared their bounteous gifts from home with the poor Mexican refugees living in caves and mud houses all along our side of the Rio Grande river. Next year would find them in France and the 1918 Christmas in Germany, victorious warriors playing "Kris Kringle" to enemies.

Peace On Earth Good Will To Men. Fifteen years after those tragic World war days in Europe and Asia, we